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SUBJECT: US GOALS AND OBJECTIVES IN TURKEY

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1. DUE TO THE RAPIDLY EVOLVING POLITICAL SITUATION IN TURKEY,
SEVERAL
OF THE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES LISTED IN REF A ARE IN DANGER OF BEING
OVERTAKEN BY EVENTS. NEVERTHELESS, RATHER THAN RECOMMENDING
AMENDMENT OF THE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES AT THIS TIME, I WILL IN MY
OVERVIEW STATEMENT--WHICH I WILL BE FORWARDING NEXT MONTH--
EXPAND ON WAYS IN WHICH THE RECENT POLITICAL EVENTS HERE MAY AFFECT
OUR GOALS AND OBJECTIVES.

2. FOR THE TIME BEING, HOWEVER, THERE IS ONE ERROR OF FACT IN THE
GOALS AND OBJECTIVES WHICH SHOULD BE CORRECTED. IN GOAL III,
SUB-GOAL 3, THE FINAL CLAUSE SHOULD READ: "SEEK INCREASED ACCESS TO
TURKISH PORTS BY 6TH FLEET SHIPS". THE WORD "REOPENED" AS USED
IN ORIGINAL TEXT SUGGESTS HAT PORTS ARE CLOSED WHILE IN FACT
US 6TH FLEET UNITS HAVE BEEN MAKING REGULAR,
IF INFREQUENT, VISITS.
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